

# TOWN HALL MEETING



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# Local Government

## City Funding Sources

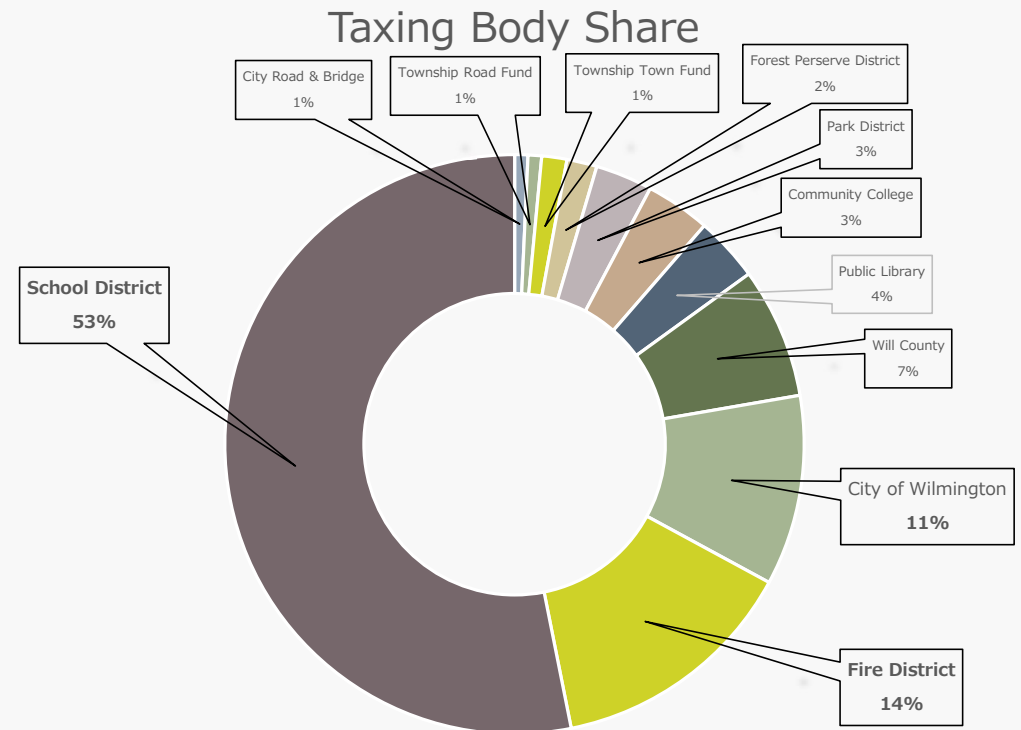
- Property Tax
- Sales Tax
- Income Tax
- Utility Tax
- Permits/Fees

Taxing Body	2021	
	Rate	Amount
FOREST PRESERVE	.1339	83.48
WILL COUNTY BLDG COMM	.0000	.00
WILM TWP TOWN FUNDS	.1095	68.27
WILM TWP ROAD FUNDS	.0599	37.35
WILM FIRE DISTRICT	1.0980	684.56
SCHOOL DISTRICT 209-U	4.1888	2,611.55
COMM COLLEGE DIST 525	.2848	177.56
CITY OF WILMINGTON	.8374	522.09
CITY OF WILM RD & BR	.0594	37.03
WILMINGTON PARK DIST	.2509	156.43
WILMINGTON PUB LIB	.2845	177.37
WILL COUNTY	.5761	359.17
<b>*** TOTAL ***</b>	<b>7.8832</b>	<b>4,914.86</b>

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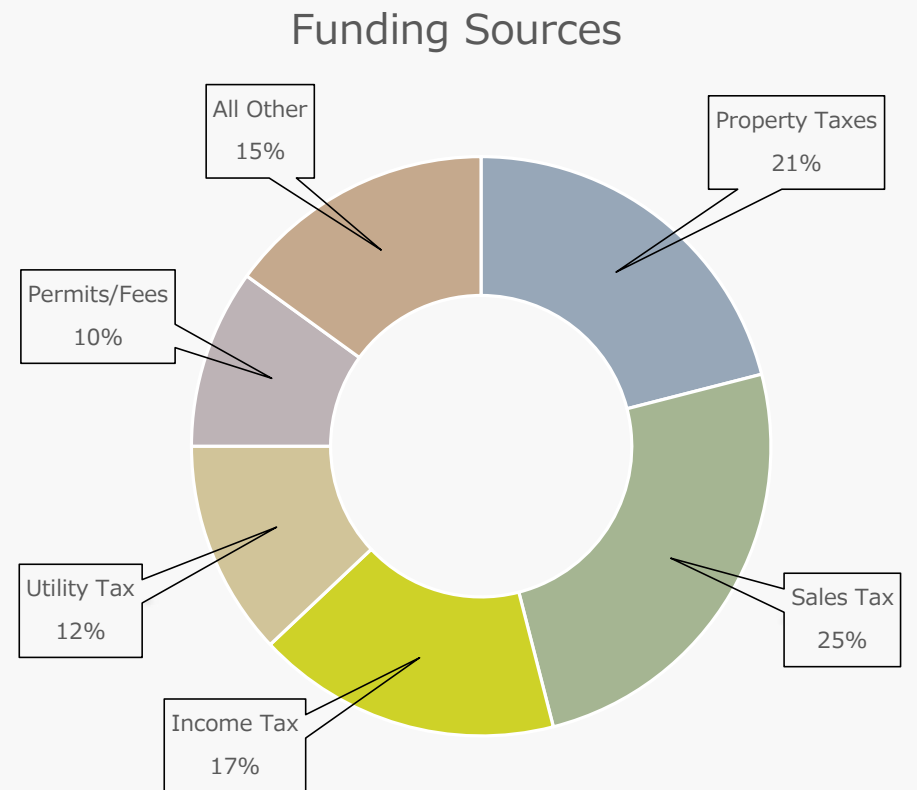
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# Local Government

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# Local Government

## Why is revenue important?

### How can the city increase?

- Attracting new businesses/developments to build/renovate.
- Attain more grant funding.
- Annex property not currently within city limits.
- Bond/borrow

### How can the community impact?

- Great schools.
- Availability and access to services.
- Quality of life.
- Affordability and availability of housing.
- Local job market.

# Local Government

## Components of your water bill

### Revenue Sources

- User base fees
- User use fees
- Meter replacement fees
- Connection fees

### Expenses

- Homewood Disposal (Garbage)
- Water/Sewer Employee Wages & Benefits
- Chemicals & Supplies
- Maintenance
- Wastewater Plant Loan Payment

# Local Government

## City Lobbying Activities

- LGDF Funding
  - 2010 10% of Total Income Tax went to Municipalities, ~6% Today
- Unfunded Mandates
  - Lead Service Line Replacement
  - Police Pension Funding
  - Police Body Cameras
- Local Infrastructure Needs
- Kankakee Watershed Conference



# Local Government

~~Fun~~ **Fact: Illinois has the most units of local government in the nation: 6,963**

# Year in Review: Business Community

## New Businesses

- Blue Horse Wine & Martini Bar
- Papa's Pickins
- Dollar General #2
- Wildcat Self Storage
- Birdie's Gaming Café
- The Crafted Coop
- The Bell Book & Candle Antiques
- Dynamic 3PL

## Coming Soon

- Scoop's Ice Cream
- Wildcat Self Storage #2
- Route 66 Creamery
- Nelly's Drive Through
- Brilliant Trucking
- Love's Travel Center
- Hardee's

# Year in Review: Business Community

## Partnerships

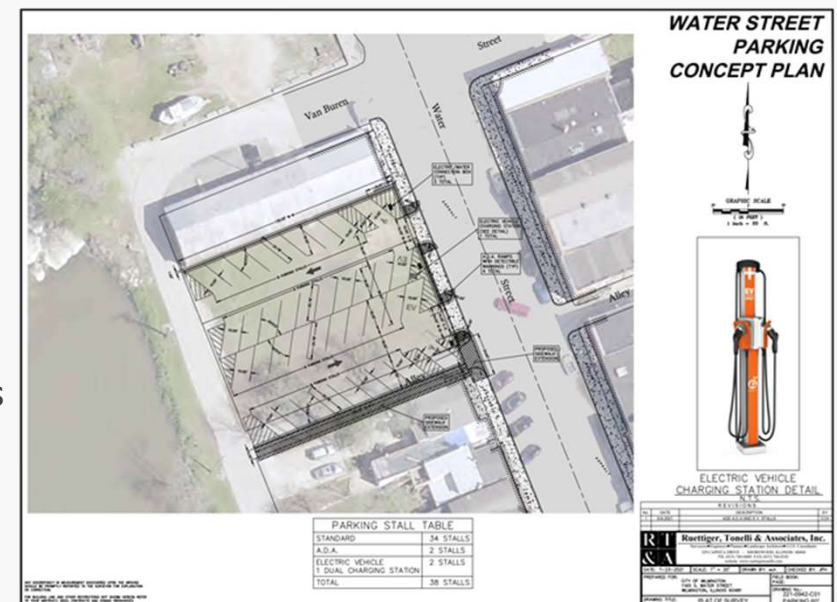
- Chamber of Commerce
- Downtown Merchants Association
- Will County Center For Economic Development
- Heritage Corridor
- Midewin National Tallgrass Prairie
- Local Municipalities
- State & County Officials



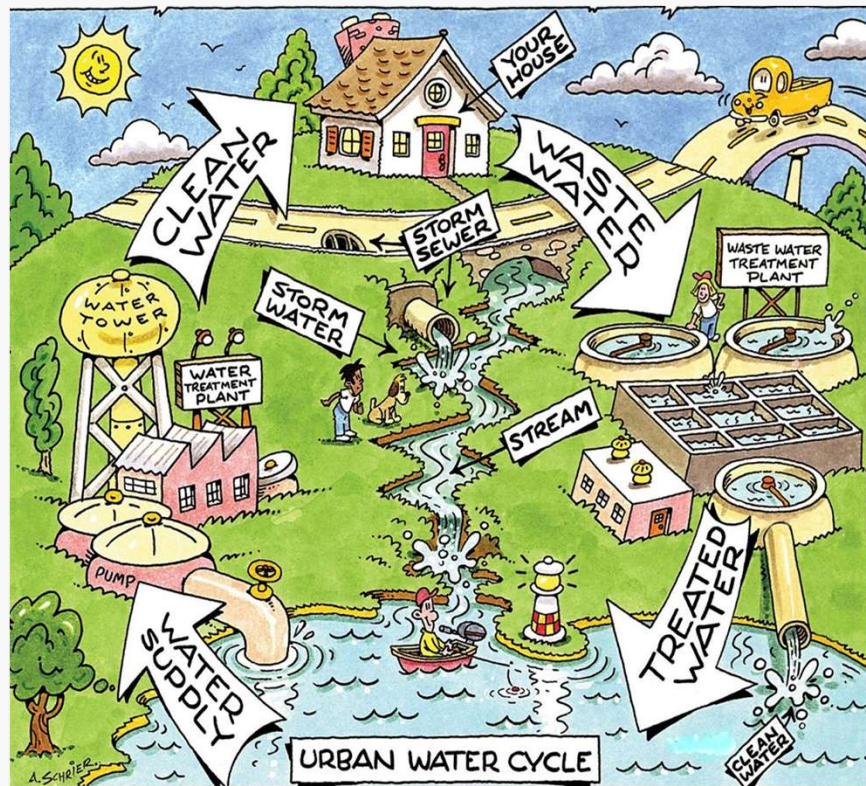
# Year in Review: Business Community

## Continue to Build and Reinvest

- Expansion of the Façade Improvement Grant.
- North Water Public Parking and EV Charging Lot.
- Changes to Business Licensing Fees.
- Expand partnerships with Convention and Visitors Bureaus and tourism groups.
- Continue applying for additional grant funding.



# Year in Review: Public Works Snapshot



- Created 220+ MG of drinking Water
- Treated 356 MG of Wastewater
- Flushed/inspected 700+ Fire Hydrants, Painted 244 Hydrants
- Completed 1000+ Utility Locates

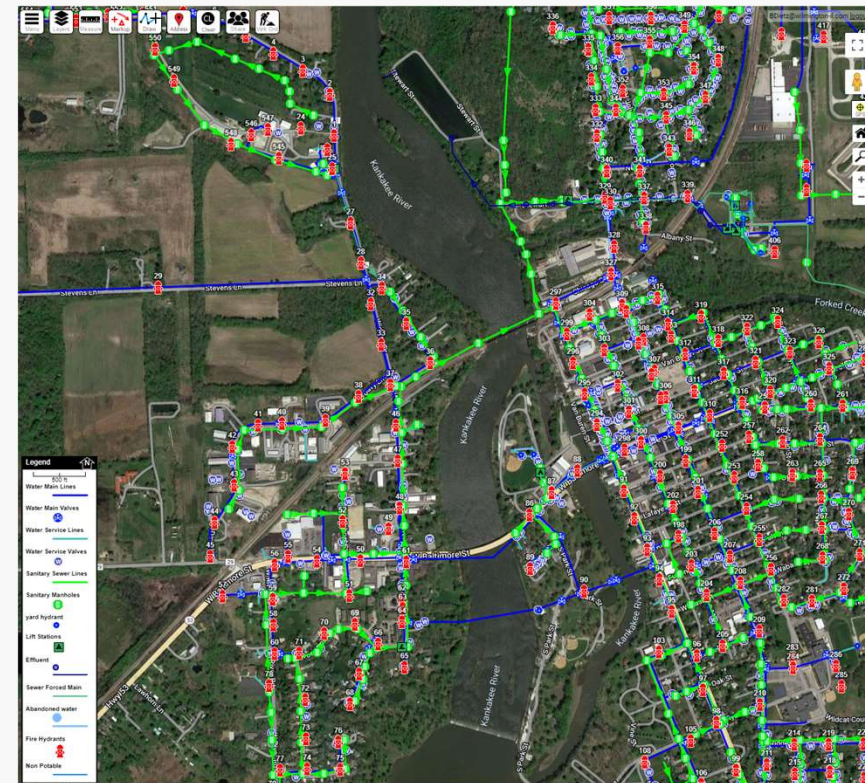
## Created & Completed & Tracked 370 Work Orders (since May)

- 5 Water Main Break Repairs, 11 Water Service Leak Repairs
- 7 Lead Service Replacements
- 35 Buffalo Box Replacement/Repairs
- 35 Sewer Cleanings
- Salted/Plowed over 250 Plow Miles of Road on 10 different occasions
- 26 Signs Replaced
- 50 Road and Sidewalk Improvements/Repairs
- 4 Sidewalk Share Programs Completed
- 20 Equipment/Vehicle Serviced
- 262 Residential Meters and 37 Commercial Meters Replaced

# Year in Review: Public Works

## System Improvements

- Installation of i-Hydrants.
- Improved billing software and increased adoption of automatic billing.
- Replaced roof and structure at the water treatment plant.
- New water meter truck.
- Water system leak detection performed.



# Year in Review: Public Works

## 2 Years Ago

- Over 450 estimated water bills.
- ~40-52% water produced was accounted for.
- All users were paying same meter replacement fee.
- Large water meters were not being certified or calibrated.

## Today

- Less than 30 estimated water bills.
- ~75% of water produced is accounted for.
- Users are paying actual costs to replace their specific meters.
- Large water meters have been certified and will be re-checked and calibrated as recommended.

# Year in Review: Public Works

## Regional Water Issues

- All our neighboring communities are having to deal with large, expensive generational water issues.
- Ground wells will be critically low by 2030.
- Wilmington is the only freshwater system in the area.
- We must continue to invest and maintain.
- Wilmington has over 93 miles of water main.

## Local Area Water Projects

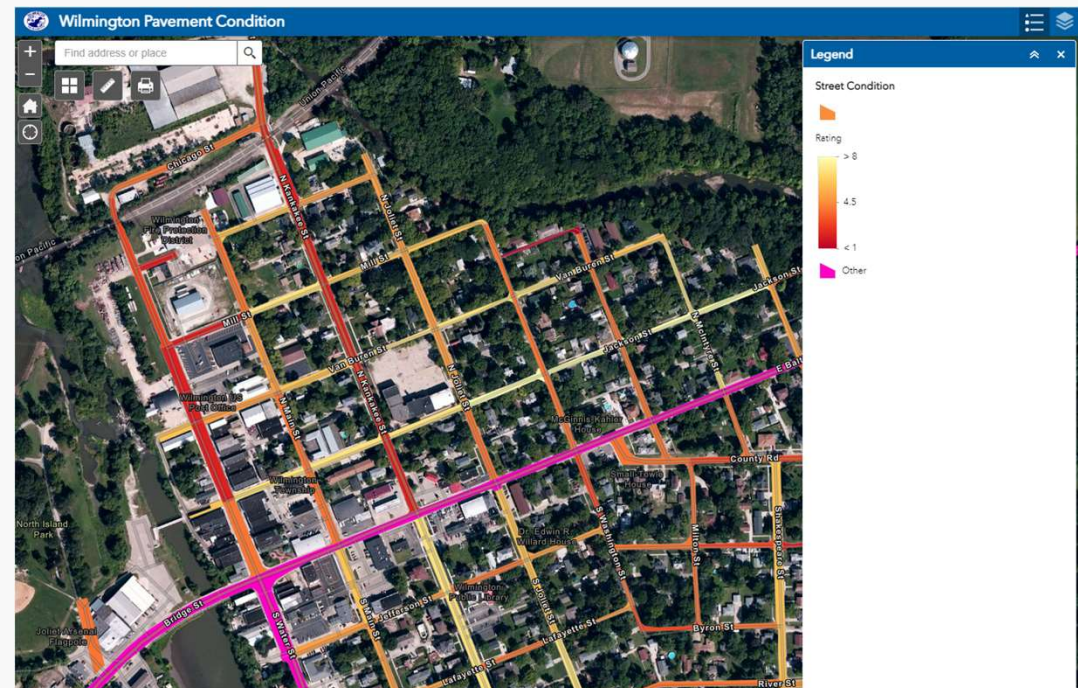
- Grand Prairie Water Commission - \$800M+
- Coal City Well - \$6.1M
- Kankakee River Valley Water Planning Area Alliance – Planning Stage



# Year in Review: Public Works

## Road Projects Completed

- Arsenal Road @ IL-53
- Wilmington-Peotone Road @ IL-53
- High Speed Rail Project at North Kankakee Street & Strip Mine Road
- Multiple sidewalks replaced under Sidewalk Share Program
- Road Classification Program
- Awarded CMAP Grant for Pavement Management Program



# Year in Review: Public Safety

## Highlights

- Continued progress on full accreditation of Police Department including recent National Center for Missing and Exploited Children program.
- Created partnerships with local providers to help address increasing mental health awareness and issues.
- Process of creating a drone program for WPD in partnership with WFPD as well as existing ESDA program.
- Sharing policing statistics with the public.



### City of Wilmington Police Department

Departmental Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor Dietz and City Council Members  
From: Chief Adam Zink  
Subject: Monthly Status Report – December 2022

#### During the month the patrol division had the following activity:

- 5 Pedestrian/Suspicious Stops were conducted
- 165 Business (Walk and Talk) Checks (officers entering businesses during normal hours)
- 9764 Premise Checks (officer checking cursory checks of businesses after hours)
- Officers made three (3) misdemeanor and/or warrant arrests
- Officers made one (1) felony arrest
- Officers issued 86 written traffic citations (up from 46 last month)
- Officers issued 75 written traffic warnings (up from 35 last month)
- Officers issued 2 compliance (local ordinance) tickets
- Officers handled an additional 564 calls for service and wrote 46 related reports.
- Twenty-five (25) trucks were weighed based on a suspicion of being overweight and fined accordingly

#### Investigations Division had the following activity:

- Closed sixteen (16) cases: 5 administratively, 2 Unfounded, 2 No complaint from SA, 2 other
- (12) Cases are awaiting review/charges from the State's Attorney
- Added (6) new cases, including (3) child exploitation cases
- Conducted (5) Victim Sensitive Interviews with Will County Child Advocacy Center
- Completed background investigations on (4) new-hire candidates

#### Training:

- Ten (8) officers received firearm training – seventeen (19) drills, and nine (5) range days were utilized by visiting LE agencies.
- Officers participated in a total of 96 hours of off-site training.
- Each officer participated in 24 Lexipol daily training scenarios.
- All members have completed one PLI online training course (approximately one (2) hour in length) on the topic of Racial Profiling, Implicit Bias, and Cultural Competency.

#### Administration:

- Worked with Police Commission on new hire list; two applicants passed for background issues, one was approved and issued a conditional offer of employment (Salazar).
- Completed and obtained NCMC certification in Missing Kids Readiness Program
- Completed hiring process for Jacob Jasnosz. Sworn in 12/20/22.
- Karl Jurgens approved and promoted to Sergeant. Sgt. Justin Dole move to Administrative Division.
- Accreditation Policy and Procedure modifications continues.
- 2023 Schedule completed, including shift picks per MAP contract.

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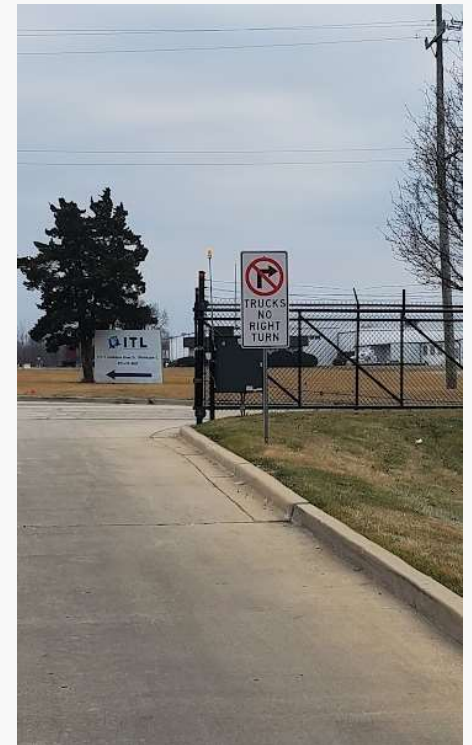
## Highlights - Continued

- Modernizing and standardizing policies and procedures.
- Completed a full review and disposal of records and evidence rooms.
- Held training and safety meetings with various groups and the public.
- Working to improve and increase cost-sharing of our gun range.

# Year in Review: Public Safety

## Truck Enforcement

- Expanded Truck Enforcement Program adding additional officers, training, and tools to the detail.
- Issued over \$300k in fines and violations in 2022.
- Partnered with local businesses to install signage on their property to reduce issues.



# Year in Review: Administration

## Building Code Updated

- Updated from 2007 to 2021 code.
- Includes property maintenance codes and standards.
- Addresses new materials and technologies like solar, EV, PEX.
- Working in partnership with WFPD.
- Increases building safety and reduces cost to build, own, and insure.

## Added Code Enforcement Officer

- Primary role is safety and compliance.
- Increases property values.
- Online records and tracking.

# Year in Review: Administration

## Communication

- Collaborated with other local bodies on creating a direct-mailed newsletter to all residents.
- Increased social media presence and outreach to public.
- Performed SWOT planning sessions with local groups.
- Improved cities website, publishing of meetings, and increased government transparency and reporting.
- Have regular meetings and open communication with local taxing and governmental bodies and groups.



# Year in Review: Administration

## Other Initiatives

- Established Historic Preservation Ordinance.
- Working to form Historic Preservation Commission and become an Illinois Certified City.
- Updating employee experience, policies, and employee handbook.
- Expansion and collaboration of community events.
- Beginning the process of updating our city code.



# Year in Review

## **113.45 License required.**

No person shall operate or conduct a public dance in the municipality without having obtained a license therefor as is provided herein.

('68 Code, § 113.225) Penalty, see Section 113.999

## **113.46 Application—Investigation—Fee.**

- (A) Application for licenses shall be made in conformance with the provisions relating to licenses, and shall specify the location of the proposed dance or dances and the person or organization sponsoring the same.
- (B) No license shall be issued to a person who is not of good moral character, nor to a corporation or organization which is not represented in the municipality by a person of good moral character.
- (C) It shall be the duty of the chief of police to make or cause to be made an investigation into the character of each applicant and report the results of the investigation to the city clerk.
- (D) The annual fee for public dances shall be as provided in Section 113.02.

('68 Code, §§ 113.230 and 113.235) Penalty, see Section 113.999

## **113.47 Premises.**

No person shall conduct a public dance in any hall or place which is not equipped with sufficient and adequate exits. No hall or building which is not provided with at least 2 exits of 4 feet or more in width shall be used for such purpose.

('68 Code, § 113.240) Penalty, see Section 113.999





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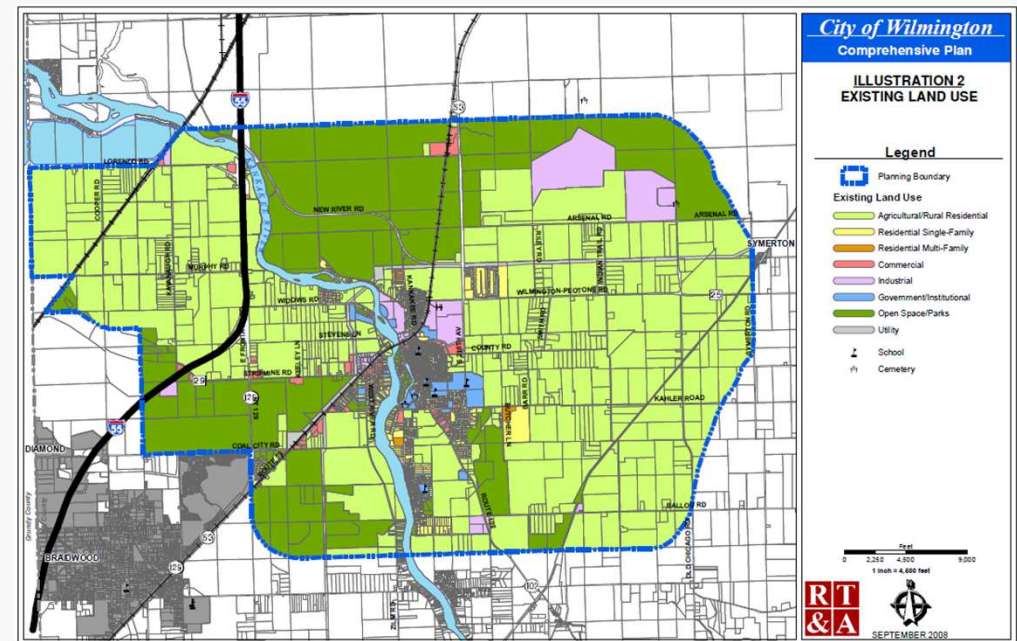
THE WAY TO GET  
STARTED IS TO  
QUIT TALKING  
AND BEGIN  
DOING.

- Walt Disney

# Looking Forward

## Comprehensive Plan

- Current plan is from 2007.
- Plans typically span 10 years.
- Identify WHERE, HOW, WHEN, or IF we expand.



# Looking Forward



## Parks & Paths Plan

- Capitalize on locations we already have.
- Ideas and plans are great, but we must identify and budget to build.
- Start with lower cost, higher usage projects.
- Connections to entire town and to area bike networks.



# Looking Forward

## Local Projects

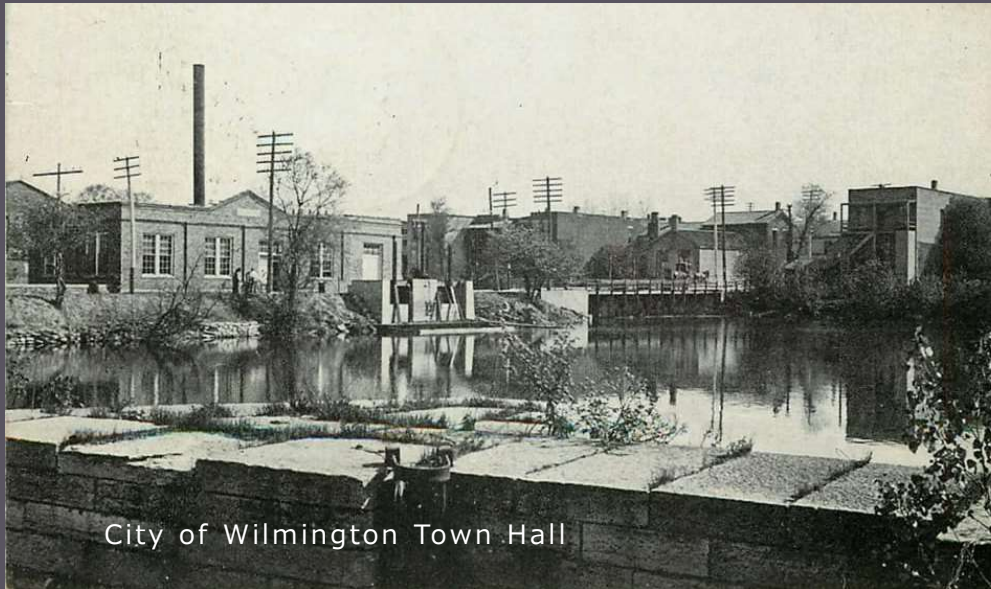
- Forked Creek Bridge @ Kankakee Street
- North Water Reconstruction
- North Kankakee Street to Forked Creek
- Kahler Road from IL-102 East
- Daniels Street

## State and County Projects

- Interstate 55 @ IL-129
- Interstate 55 @ Lorenzo Road
- IL-129 @ Strip Mine Road
- Lorenzo Road @ Railroad Crossing
- West River Road



# Community Discussion



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**Thank you for attending**

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